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LEGIONELLA PNEUMOPHILA )  
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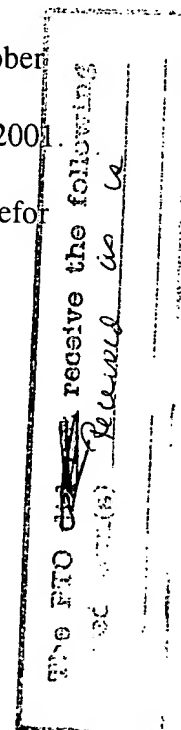
Request for Four Month Time Extension  
for Small Entity

The present appeal was filed on April 11, 2003 from an office action mailed October 11, 2002 as part of continuing examination following a final rejection mailed August 1, 2001. The appeal fee and the four-month time extension fee for a small entity with request therefor were filed with the notice of appeal of April 11, 2003.

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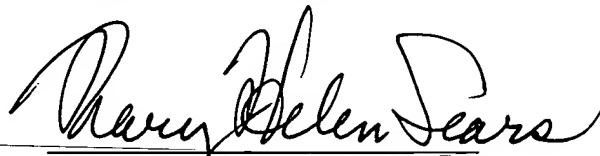
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The appeal brief was originally due June 11, 2003. Applicants hereby request that the time be extended four months for filing the appeal brief to expire on October 14, 2003 which is the first business day following Saturday, October 11, 2003. The small entity extension fee of \$740.00 is covered by the appended check.

A check to cover the Appeal Brief fee of \$165.00 ~~and~~ for a small entity and three copies of the Appeal Brief are also filed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Helen Sears". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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